



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Sanders, et al.

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AMENDMENT AND
RESPONSE AFTER FINAL UNDER §1.116
ASSOCIATED WITH THE FILING OF AN APPEAL

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 25, 2007, please amend this application as follows:

In the claims:

As per the attached amended claims sheets.

REMARKS

Applicant does not agree that the phrase "more than simply geographic," found in claims 21 and 36, is not sufficiently described in the specification, or that it does not sufficiently define what is being claimed. However, applicant amends that phrase herein in claims 21 and 36 to simplify matters for appeal. Basis for the amendment is found in the specification on page 4 line 19.

Applicant also does not agree that "TLD" as it occurs in claim 16, 17, 24, and 25 lacks sufficient antecedent basis. However, to simply matters for appeal, applicant amends claims 16, 17, 24 and 25 to add the meaning of "TLD" in parens after the term, namely three letter extension after the "dot." Basis for the amendment is found on page 12 line 22 of the specification, for one instance.

Applicant submits herewith evidence that "cutting-edge technology," as found in claims 18, 26 and 38, is a defined and well known phrase that would be used by and recognized by one of ordinary skill in the art. The phrase is sufficiently definite to appraise one of skill in the art of the scope of the claim.